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- \_X No additional claims fee is required.
- An additional claims fee is required and has been calculated as shown below:

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## RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the Office Action mailed June 2, 2003, consideration of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

## REMARKS

Claims 22 to 46 are pending. The Examiner alleges that claims 22 to 46 are directed to three distinct and independent inventions set forth as Groups I to III as follows:

Group I: Claims 22 to 28, directed to an isolated nucleic acid molecule corresponding to

SEQ ID NO:3 or encoding SEQ ID NO:4;

Group II: Claims 29 to 43, directed to a

non-naturally occurring plant that